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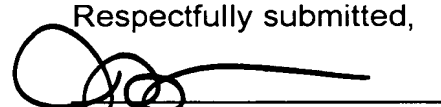
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STATUS INQUIRY

On February 26, 2002, a notice was mailed stating that due to a potential interference, ex parte prosecution was being suspended for six (6) months. This period has expired and applicants now request an update on the status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,


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